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FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION DAMASCUS INFO BEIRUT FROM STATE  
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TAGS: ETRN, SY

SUBJECT: SYRIAN AIRLINE AIRCRAFT PRECLEARANCE

REF: STATE 141860 AND PREVIOUS, BEIRUT 7541

1.EMBASSY REQUESTED PASS FOLLOWING TO RCAA DWOR FROM  
LOCKHEED'S WASHINGTON REP MUNRO:

FOR 1,000 MILE SEGMENT, COMPARATIVE PER MILE OPERATING  
COSTS ARE: L-1011, US DOLS 3.92; A300B, 3.62 BASED ON  
NORMAL SELLING PRICE DIFFERENTIAL OF TWO AND ONE-HALF  
MILLION DOLLARS.

USING 90/10 RATIO ECONOMY/TOURIST, L-1011 WITH 273  
SEATS HAS PER MILE SEAT COST OF 1.44 CENTS WHILE A-300B  
WITH ONLY 220 SEATS WOULD HAVE SLIGHTLY HIGHER COST OF  
1.65 CENTS.

2. ABOVE FIGURES ARE LOCKHEEDS BUT IT STATES THAT ANA AND  
ANSETT AGREE THAT L-1011 AND A-300B OPERATING COSTS AL-  
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MOST THE SAME, BUT LATTER IS SLIGHTLY HIGHER.

3. WE ENDORSE APPROACH SUGGESTED PARA 1(D), BEIRUT 7541,  
PARTICULARLY EMPHASIS ON UNPROVEN ASPECT OF A-300B.  
EMBASSY MAY ALSO POINT TO RISK IN PURCHASING AIRCRAFT  
(A-300B) WHICH MAY EVENTUALLY BE SOLD ONLY IN LIMITED  
NUMBERS TO A FEW AIRLINES. IN CONTRAST, SUBSTANTIAL

NUMBERS OF U.S. WIDE-BODIES ARE BEING OPERATED BY  
AIRLINES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. UNQUOTE SISCO

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